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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): METHOD FOR CORRECTING A DEFORMITY IN THE SPINAL COLUMN
AND ITS CORRESPONDING IMPLANT

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- ☒ 42 pages of Specification/Claims 1-25.
☒ Formal drawings (Fig(s). A - 15; 9 sheets) are attached.
☒ Priority of foreign application No. P020103711 filed October 2, 2002 in Argentina is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$ 375	OR		\$ 750
TOTAL CLAIMS	25 - 20	= 5	x 9 =	\$	OR	x 18	\$ 80
INDEP CLAIMS	3 - 3	= 0	x 42 =	\$	OR	x 84	\$
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			TOTAL	\$	OR	TOTAL	\$ 830

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$830.00 for the filing fee is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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